

OPINION 905

POLYXENUS LATREILLE, [1802-1803] (DIPLOPODA): VALIDATION OF EMENDATION FROM *POLLYXENUS*

RULING—(1) Under the plenary powers the emendation to *Polyxenus* of the generic name *Pollyxenus* Latreille, [1802-1803], is hereby validated.

(2) The generic name *Polyxenus* (emend. of *Pollyxenus*) Latreille [1802-1803] (gender: masculine), type-species, by monotypy, *Scolopendra lagura* Linnaeus, 1758, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1889.

(3) The specific name *lagura* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Scolopendra lagura* (type-species of *Polyxenus* Latreille [1802-1803]) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2365.

(4) The family-group name POLYXENIDAE (correction of POLLYXÉNITES) Lucas, 1840 (type-genus *Polyxenus* Latreille [1802-1803]) is hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name Number 445.

(5) The generic name *Pollyxenus* Latreille [1802-1803] (an incorrect original spelling of *Polyxenus* Latreille [1802-1803]) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1963.

(6) The name POLLYXÉNITES Lucas, 1840 (an incorrect original spelling for POLYXENIDAE) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name Number 448.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1785)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission in November 1966 by Dr. O. Kraus. Dr. Kraus's application was sent to the printer on 10 January 1967 and was published on 6 March 1967 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **24** : 63-64. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **21** : 184). Comments supporting the application were received from Dr. K. Strassner, Prof. A. Kaestner, Dr. B. Condé, Dr. J. P. Mauriés, Dr. U. Haacker, Dr. J. A. L. Cooke, Dr. St. Negrea, Prof. J. Lang, Dr. R. E. Crabhill and Dr. H. W. Levi. A counter application was received from Dr. C. A. W. Jeekel which was published in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **24** : 276-277.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 3 April, 1969 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (69)16 either for or against the proposal set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **24** : 64, with a note which stated that a negative vote would be taken as a vote in favour of Dr. Jeekel's proposals as set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **24** : 277. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 3 July 1969 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—nineteen (19), received in the following order: Holthuis, China, Evans, Lemche, Simpson, Vokes, Obruchev, Mayr, Melville, Brinck, Bonnet, Jaczewski, do Amaral, Sabrosky, Forest, Eisenmann, Starobogatov, Mertens, Binder.

Negative votes—two (2): Uchida, Ride.

On Leave of Absence—two (2): Munroe, Tortonese.

Commissioners Alvarado and Kraus returned late affirmative votes.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for the names placed on the Official Lists and Indexes by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

lagura, *Scolopendra*, Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1 : 637

POLLYXÉNITES Lucas, 1840, an incorrect original spelling for POLYXENIDAE, *q.v.*

Pollyxenus Latreille [1802–1803], an incorrect original spelling for *Polyxenus*, *q.v.*

POLYXENIDAE Lucas, 1840, *Hist. nat. Crust. Arachn. Myriap.* : 518

Polyxenus Latreille [1802–1803] *Hist. nat. gén. partic. Crust. Ins.* 3 : 45.

CERTIFICATE

We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (69)16 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 905.

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